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FOREST DEPARTMENT.

Notification, dated 12th May 1903.

It is hereby notified for general information that the exclusive privilege of collecting Tangadi (*Cassia auriculata*) and Kakke (*Cassia fistula*) barks, in all the District Forests and lands at the disposal of Government except Amrut Mahal Kavals and State Forests in the taluks of Sira and Chiknayakanhalli including Huliyar of the Tumkur District, for the period extending from 1st July 1903 up to 30th June 1904, will be sold by public auction by the Deputy Commissioner or any other officer deputed by him, on the 8th June 1903, at Tumkur.

Note.—If necessary, sammatwar sales will be held.

2. The auction will commence at noon on the above date. If the sale is not concluded on the said date, it will be continued on the next following day at the same time. The sale will be subject to confirmation by the Deputy Commissioner.

3.—Parties intending to bid must attend either in person or by duly accredited agents.

4. The successful bidder shall, immediately after the sale is knocked down to him, deposit in cash one-fourth of the total rental together with the local cess at one anna in the rupee on the whole amount of the lease, and the balance three-fourths before the "bab" is made over to him, *i. e.*, before the 20th June 1903, before which date the confirmation of the sale will be communicated to him. Should he fail to pay up the balance, he will forfeit the amount already deposited and the right of collecting the produce will at once be re-sold.

5. The re-sale effected under the above para will be at the risk of the defaulting bidder who will have no claim to any profit accruing at the re-sale. In the event of loss, the deficiency between the amount of his bid at the original sale and the amount payable by the successful bidder at the re-sale will be recovered from him as a revenue demand.

6. The purchaser shall, within three days from the date on which confirmation is communicated to him, execute and sign an agreement on proper stamp paper, binding himself to observe the following conditions:—

(1) Not to cut plants under one year old.

(2) The barked wood to be the property of the lessee.

(3) To keep accounts showing the quantity of bark removed from time to time, and to permit inspection of such accounts by the Amildar or any officer deputed for the purpose.

(4) To obtain passes for consignment of the produce in such manner as may be laid down by the Deputy Commissioner in the Forest Department.

(5) To remove out of the limits of the taluk, all bark cut, collected, or stored before the *end of June* 1904.

(6) Except for the bark, Tangadi shrub shall not be cut for the sake of leaves as manure or for firewood or any other purpose.

(7) In case of giving out the "bab" on sub-contract, previous permission should be obtained from the Deputy Commissioner.

(8) The infringement of any of the above conditions shall render the lease liable to be cancelled and all the remaining bark will be confiscated.

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for Offg. Conservator of Forests.

Notification dated 13th May 1903.

(1) Notice is hereby given that the right of collecting tolls in Kundarasanahalli and Muthanahalli gates of the Kamasandra State Forest, Bowringpet Taluk, for twelve months, from 1st July 1903 to 30th June 1904, will be sold by public auction in the District Forest Office at Kolar at 3 P.M. on the 22nd June 1903 by the District Forest Officer of the Kolar District or any other officer deputed by the Deputy Commissioner for the purpose.

(2) The highest bid will be accepted by the District Forest Officer, subject to the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner. The District Forest Officer reserves to himself the power of refusing or accepting the highest or any bid that may be offered.

(3) The person whose bid is accepted by the District Forest Officer will be required to deposit at once in cash one-fourth of the amount of the bid, and on the confirmation of the same by the Deputy Commissioner to pay the remaining amount within a week from the date on which the confirmation of the sale is intimated to him. Failure to conform to these conditions shall render the deposit liable to forfeiture and contract liable to re-sale at the risk of the purchaser who will forfeit all gain and any loss that may accrue to Government, will be summarily recovered as a revenue demand.

(4) The contractor will be required to bind himself to have an account kept showing the daily collections, and it shall be open to inspection by the District Forest Officer or others deputed by him.

(5) The contractor will further be bound to levy no tolls other than that mentioned below and to conform to the rate therein laid down on pain of being prosecuted for criminal offence and forfeiture of his contract.

(6) The contractor shall levy tolls only for carts laden with firewood brought from outside the Mysore State through the Kamasandra State Forest.

(7) The contractor shall not collect tolls at any place other than (1) Kundarasanahalli and (2) Muthanahalli gates.

(8) Further particulars, if any required, can be obtained on application to the District Forest Officer, Kolar District.

The rate of toll authorized to be levied by the contractor at the Kundarasanahalli and Muthanahalli gates on every cart laden with firewood is two annas.

Notification dated 23rd May 1903.

It is hereby notified that the right of felling and removing (subject to the following conditions) the forest growth in the following localities of the Kamasandra State Forest, Bowringpet Taluk, from 15th July 1903 to 30th June 1904, will be sold in public auction by the District Forest Officer, Kolar, in conjunction with the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, or other officer, who may be deputed by him at Bowringpet on Wednesday the 24th June 1903 at 2 P.M.

Locality.		Total ground area of the coupe.	Kinds of trees.	Remarks.
Block No.	Coupe No.			
I	4	363	1. Chigre. 2. Nallabalsu. 3. Devadari. 4. Goravi. 5. Huragulu.	Dead wood in the whole of the State Forest with the exception of the 1st four coupes in Block No. I and the first four coupes in Block No. III will also be sold in auction.
III	4	476	Do	

2. The coupes will be put up separately or together or at so much per acre at the discretion of the officers holding the sale. The sale is subject to the confirmation of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

3. The Deputy Commissioner reserves to himself the right of accepting or rejecting any bid without assigning any reason for the same, and, if the produce is not sold, he is at liberty to dispose it off to any person and in any manner he might deem fit.

4. Every bidder shall deposit Rs. 250 before he is permitted to bid, which, except in the case of the approved bidder or bidders, will be returned at the close of sale.

5. The successful bidder or bidders shall pay up one-half of the accepted bid within one week from the date on which the confirmation of the sale may be intimated to him or them and execute a mutchalika or mutchalikas binding himself or themselves to the following conditions; failing which the deposit money will be forfeited to Government and the coupes liable to be re-sold at the risk of the original purchaser who shall make good any loss which may arise from such re-sale but shall not participate in any profit.

(1) The balance of the purchase money shall be paid in two instalments of three months each *i. e.*, the 1st instalment becomes due on the 7th October 1903 and the other on the 7th January 1904. Sufficient security should also be furnished for the payment of these sums and on the due dates. All arrears not paid up before these dates shall be recovered as a revenue demand and further fellings or removal of fuel from the coupe or coupes shall be stopped until all arrears are paid. Delay in making payment on any one occasion may also be punished with fine not exceeding Rs. 200 at the discretion of the Deputy Commissioner in the Forest Department.

(2) The felling and removal of fuel shall be finished before the end of June 1904 and in the event of this not being done, the money already paid shall be forfeited to Government.

(3) All trees with the exception of seedlings and saplings under one foot in girth and also 5,445 trees in coupe No. 4 of Block No. I and 7,140 trees in coupe No. 4 of Block No. III marked and numbered by the Forest Department to be left as standards shall be cut flush with the ground as far as practicable with axes. Tangadi and kakke shrubs are not included in the present sale, nor are fruit trees, grass and other minor produce. If any trees are indiscriminately hacked by the contractor, further fellings or removal of fuel from the coupe or coupes shall be stopped until all bad work such as leaving stools higher than 3 inches etc., is rectified.

(4) Carts carrying fuel from the coupes shall be covered with passports which will be granted on the spot by a forest official who will be appointed for the purpose. They shall be presented for examination at Mutnur, Budikote, Kamasandra and such other places as may be assigned by the District Forest Officer.

(5) No fuel shall be carted from the coupe or through any portion of the forest on any day before sunrise or after sunset.

(6) The purchaser shall be held responsible for the occurrence of any fire within the coupes assigned to him or along the cart-track he might use, if there is sufficient ground for the Forest Department to think that it has been caused by his negligence or by that of his employees.

(7) In all differences between the purchaser and the District Forest Officer the decision of the Conservator of Forests shall be final.

(8) Draft of agreement to be executed will be read at the time of sale.

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